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**Discipline: Linguistics, Language and Communication**

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### **CORE COMPETENCIES**

I am an experienced Public teacher, communication expert and Trainer of Trainers who has worked both in the Private sector and in Government. I am a lecturer at the University of Nairobi in the Department of Linguistics and Languages with various consultancy engagements in the private sector. My teaching areas range from Linguistics, Communication and Philosophy. I also have diverse experience in advocacy through HAKI Afrika, an initiative of University lecturers across East and Central Africa, of which I am a founding member. I am also a founding member for the Centre for Human Rights and Peace at the University of Nairobi. I have attended, organized, presented and published papers in various international conferences under subject of communication and linguistics. I am an accredited editor of various international Journals including CHOTRO, ALCLAS and UON Press with experience of over ten years. I am also a consultant editor with the United Nations in Nairobi. I have written and maintained special columns in Local Newspapers addressing issues on Education, Economics, and Politics.

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### **EDUCATION**

**Post Doctoral – Princeton University**

**Title of Thesis: Communication in Specialized Spaces**

**PhD – University of Nairobi**

**Title of Thesis: Speaker Intention in Monologue Discourses**

**Supervised by – Prof Hamu Habwe & Prof Mwendah Mbatiah (University of Nairobi)**

**Examined by: Prof Monika Kopytowska (Lodz University – Poland) Prof. Oyori Ogechi (Moi University - Kenya)**

**Masters Degree in Linguistics**

**Title of Thesis: Deixis and Cohesion in Opinion Columns of Newspapers**

**Institute/organization where research affiliated; date undertaken**

**University of Nairobi, 2002**

**Post Graduate Diploma in Journalism**

**Title of Thesis: Opinion Polling in Media Organizations**

Institute/organization where research affiliated; date undertaken

**University of Nairobi, 1998**

**Bachelor of Education (Arts) Hons**

**University of Nairobi**

Name of university/academic body; date of study

**University of Nairobi, Kikuyu Campus, 1996**

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**CAREER SUMMARY**

**2007 Aug – Present** **Lecturer** - **University of Nairobi** (Department of Linguistics and Languages)

**2006 July – Present** **Lecturer and Consultant** (Public Relations Management and Communication Strategy) **East African School of Aviation**

**2008 August – Present:** **Adjunct Lecturer,** (Communication) **Moi University**

**2011 – Present: Adjunct Lecturer (Defense College of Kenya)**

**2000Oct: to 2003** **Tutorial Fellow**  
University of Nairobi, Kenya

**2001 Oct. to April 2002** **Country Training Manager**  
Management Education Division  
Kenya Institute of Management, Kenya

**1998 June to 1999** **Senior Editor**  
Media Institute

**1996 April to 1998** **Research Assistant**  
International Center for Research In Agro forestry.

**CONSULTANCY**

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**2007 August – Present:** **African Population & Health Research Centre (APHRC)** (Consultant Editor)

**2008 June – Present - African Medical & Research Foundation (AMREF)** (Consultant Editor)

**2010 – Present - Kenya Broadcasting Corporation (KBC)** Training Consultant

**2010 – Present - Strategic Business Advisors Africa (SBA –Africa)** Consultant Editor

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**2013 – Present - Amref (Consultant Editor – Grant Manuals)**

**2014 – Consultant Editor, UNDP – 2014 - Present**

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**PROFFESIONAL TRAINING**

**SEPTEMBER 2012** – Research Methodology (Rutgers University - USA)

**JULY 2009** – Writing Techniques for Distance Learning

**SEPTEMBER - DEC 2007** – Pedagogy Training – University of Nairobi

**JUNE - JULY 2007** – ISO Training - University of Nairobi

**APRIL 2002:** Management workshop by Kenya Institute of Administration on Budget Control Practices, Nairobi Kenya.

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**BOOK PUBLICATIONS**

**Maloba Wekesa (2015) Speaker Intention In Monologue Discourse, Lambert Academic Publishers, Heinrich-Bocking, Germany**

**Maloba Wekesa Leonard (2011) Cohesion and Deixis in Practice: The Case of an Opinion Column, Saarbrucken, Germany.**

**Maloba Wekesa (2009) Traditionalist Syntax: University of Nairobi Press**

**Maloba Wekesa (2010) Advanced Language Structure: University of Nairobi Press**

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**PUBLISHED PAPERS**

- **Maloba Wekesa, 2007, *The Structure of the Monologic Text: The case of the Lubukusu myth. Paper for*, VII Jornadas de Estudio de la Narrativa Folklórica and the Interim Conference of the International Society for Folk Narrative Research (ISFNR, La Pampa Argentina.**
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2008, *The Biblic Language Dilemma: The case of Lubukusu Vs English* - Orient Blackswan, New Delhi**
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2008, *The Notion of Faithfulness Vs Context in Language*, Lodz Press, Kairzmeirz Dolny, Poland**
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2012, *Aspects of Discourse Structure*, Orient Blackswan, Vadodra India**

- **Maloba Wekesa, 2014, *Discourse as Graduated from the Morph*, Reyono Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies, Vol 3 Issue 2, July 2014, St. Thomas College, Kerala**
- **Maloba Wekesa, 2016, *Understanding Discourse at Word Level*, Routledge - Taylor Francis, New Delhi**

## **STUDENT ACADEMIC SUPERVISIONS**

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- Njura Gerald Otieno - Topic and Focus in Dholuo Narrative Texts (Master of Arts Thesis: 2010)
- Irungu Jane Wambui - The Role of Explicatures and Implicatures in Advertising Discourse (Master of Arts Thesis: 2011)
- Wabende Walela Andrea - A Lexical Pragmatic Analysis of the Discourse in a Drinking Session (Master of Arts Thesis: 2012)
- Matheka Sila Paul – Fluidity in Sheng: A Case of Synonymy Rather Than Replacement (Master of Arts Thesis: 2013)
- Muchiri Peace –Order in Politeness: A case for Interviews ( Master of Arts Thesis 2013)
- Scholastica Wabende – Discourse Analysis of Chimamanda Adichie (Master of Arts Thesis – 2014)
- Sarah Ndirangu – Persuasion Discourse of Bank Advertisements (Master of Arts Thesis – 2014)
- Mwende Birithis – A Discourse Analysis of Census Questionnaire, Case of 1999. (Master of Arts – 2015)
- Amiru Haseem Mohammed – Exegesis in Contrast ( PhD, Nsukka University, Nigeria – External Examiner, Ongoing)

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## **EXTERNAL ACADEMIC EXAMINATION**

- Agness Bernadette Chimangeni Hara – Text Comprehension in Bilingual (Chichewa/English) Children: Mental Representation and Narrative Text Structure – 2014 (**Doctoral Thesis, University of KwaZulu Natal, Durban – South Africa**)

## **SOME CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS ATTENDED**

1. African Language Conference – Understanding the role played by languages in the integration and Development of African countries: Johannesburg, South Africa 25th – 30th May 2014 Title of Paper: Implicature and Explicature; The Correlates of Political Communication in Africa
2. The 16th Triennial ACLALS Conference in St. Lucia, West Indies with the theme: Currents in language studies / Linguistic circuits and circuits of identity or cultural exchange. Aug 2nd – 9 th 2013 Title of Paper: Understanding Discourse at Word Level
3. Chotro Four; Imagining the Intangible - Languages, Literature and Visual Arts of the Indigenous, Baroda, India: Jan 2 nd – 9 th 2012 Title of Paper: Aspects of Discourse Structure
4. University of Western Cape - A Pre-bid Workshop for Edulink Programme – Cape Town, South Africa. 5 th - 8 th Dec 2011 vide the Centre for Human Rights and Peace, UoN.
5. Centre for Black African Arts and Civilization (CBAAC) National Theatre, Teaching and Propagating African History and Culture to the Diaspora and Teaching Diaspora History and Culture to Africa: State University of Rio De Janeiro, Brazil 2010 Title of Paper: Translation Across Cultures
6. Chotro Two: Nomadic Communities in Post Colonial World; 2009, Bhasha Research and Publication Centre, Baroda India and the Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies Title of Paper: Discourse Connectivity: The Case of Lubukusu
7. Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts National Manuscript Mission of India, European Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies (EACLALS) and Indian Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies (IACLALS) 2 nd to 8th Jan 2008, Title of Paper: The Biblic Language Dilemma
8. Instituto Nacional de Antropología y Pensamiento Latinoamericano (National Institute of Anthropology and Latin American) 20th to 27 nd Sep 2007 in Santa Rosa, La Pampa, Argentina Title of Paper: The Structure of the Monologue Text, A Case of the Myth

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### **SOME EDITED WORKS**

- **The Operations Manual, Grant Making Tool Kit for AMREF (2011)**
- **The Accounting Manual, Grant Making Tool Kit for AMREF (2012)**
- **A Compendiums on Climate Change (2011- 2013) APHRC**
- **Poverty Discourses in Kenya, (University of Nairobi Press) 2013**
- **Disaster Risk Management & Recovery Programme 2014/2018 (UNDP)**
- **Analysis of GoK Budget 2015 (UNDP)**
- **Analysis of Rebasing the Kenyan Economy 2015 (UNDP)**
- **Reports on Extractive Industries 2015 (UNDP)**
- **Disaster Risk Management Mainstreaming Guideline 2015 (UNDP/NDMA)**

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### **MEDIA PUBLICATIONS**

Diverse commentary in Politics, Economics, Book Reviews and Public Administration in *The Standard* and *Nation* Newspapers: Refer to Managing Editors.

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### **DEPARTMENTAL AND FACULTY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Examinations Officer, Department of Linguistics and Languages from 2010 to Present
  - Web Champion, Department of Linguistics and Languages from 2009
  - Editor, “NDIMI” Newsletter, Department of Linguistics and Languages
  - Editor, Faculty of Arts Newsletter “FAN”
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## **ACADEMIC AWARDS**

- Cambridge University and University of Nairobi Sandwich Scholarship for PGDJ
  - 1999 - 2002: University of Nairobi Scholarship to pursue Master of Arts Degree.
  - 2008 - University of Nairobi Scholarship to pursue a PhD.
  - 2014 - Visiting Professor, Princeton University
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## **COMPUTER PROFICIENCY**

- Spread Sheets: Excel, Access ( Limited)
  - Operating Systems: Ms Dos, Ms Windows
  - Word Processors: Ms Word, Word Perfect
  - Other Professional packages: SNOBOL4 (for analysis of natural language texts)
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**RENUMERATION:** Negotiated

**HOBBIES** Golfing and Traveling

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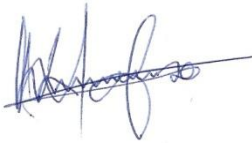
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